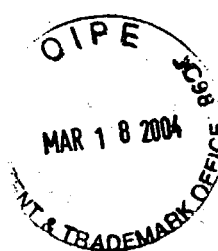


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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated July 28, 2003, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.